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Brown jumped onto the sidewalk when one of the cars came toward him.

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He then began to run when he heard another sound.

"My leg just gave way after that," Brown commented.

From this point, he could not remember what happened until he arrived at the hospital.

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Hunt said that the police, ambulance service and Dr. William F. Denman, dean of student affairs, were called.

After Brown arrived at the hospital, several members of the Division of Student Affairs came to discuss the incident. Brown was unable to identify his assailants.

Referring to the shooting, Hunt said, "We (the black students) were pretty scared. We don't feel that a person shot at Darrell Brown but at a black."

Brown had reported earlier last week that a textbook had been taken from his locker in the law building, cut up with a knife and returned to the locker.

Dr. Ralph Barnhart, dean of the law school, is offering a \$100 reward for information "leading to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons responsible for the wounding of Brown."

Dean Barnhart said that all communications will be kept confidential.

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